This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (canceled)

Claim 2 (currently amended): The method according to claim ~~1~~3, wherein the first in-line editing tag opens the desired in-line editing function and the second in-line editing tag closes the desired in-line editing function.

Claim 3 (currently amended): A computer-implemented ~~The~~ method ~~according to claim 1,~~ ~~further~~ for editing Web-based documents, comprising the steps of:

receiving from a user an indication of a selected portion of a Web-based document to be edited and an indication of a desired in-line editing function to be performed on the selected portion;

responsive to the indication of the desired in-line editing function, inserting immediately prior to the selected portion a first in-line editing tag corresponding to the desired in-line editing function;

detecting object tag elements within the selected portion;

inserting immediately prior to each object tag element within the selected portion a second in-line editing tag corresponding to the desired in-line editing function and inserting the second in-line editing tag at the end of the selected portion;

inserting immediately after each object tag element within the selected portion the first in-line editing tag, wherein the first and second in-line editing tags are distinguishable from the object tag elements irrespective of the in-line editing function to which the first and second in-line editing tags correspond;

saving a portion of the Web-based document including the first and second in-line editing tags separate from the unedited Web-based document; and

reinserting the first and second in-line editing tags into the unedited Web-based document where the first and second in-line editing tags were inserted prior to being saved in response to a reassembly request.

Claim 4 (currently amended):   ~~The~~ A computer-implemented method ~~according to claim 1,~~ ~~further~~ for editing Web-based documents, comprising the steps of:

receiving from a user an indication of a selected portion of a Web-based document to be edited and an indication of a desired in-line editing function to be performed on the selected portion;

responsive to the indication of the desired in-line editing function, inserting immediately prior to the selected portion a first in-line editing tag corresponding to the desired in-line editing function;

detecting object tag elements within the selected portion;

inserting immediately prior to each object tag element within the selected portion a second in-line editing tag corresponding to the desired in-line editing function and inserting the second in-line editing tag at the end of the selected portion;

inserting immediately after each object tag element within the selected portion the first in-line editing tag, wherein the first and second in-line editing tags are distinguishable from the object tag elements irrespective of the in-line editing function to which the first and second in-line editing tags correspond;

saving a portion of the Web-based document including the first and second in-line editing tags separate from the unedited Web-based document;

detecting that the portion of the unedited Web-based document where the first and second in-line editing tags were inserted prior to the step of saving has been moved to a new location within the unedited Web-based document; and

inserting the first and second in-line editing tags at the new location within the unedited Web-based document in the same relative position within the portion of the unedited Web-based document where the first and second in-line editing tags were inserted prior to being saved.

Claim 5 (currently amended): The method according to claim ~~1~~3, wherein, when an object tag element closing a first function is found within the selected portion of the Web-based document without a corresponding object tag element opening the first function, the method further comprises the steps of:

inserting a third in-line editing tag closing the first function immediately prior to the first in-line editing tag immediately before the selected portion; and

inserting a fourth in-line editing tag opening the first function immediately after the first in-line editing tag immediately before the selected portion.

Claim 6 (currently amended): The method according to claim ~~1~~3, wherein, when an object tag element opening a first function is found within the selected portion of the Web-based document without a corresponding object tag element closing the first function, the method further comprises the steps of:

inserting a third in-line editing tag opening the first function immediately after the second in-line editing tag immediately after the selected portion;

inserting a fourth in-line editing tag closing the first function immediately before each object tag element within the selected portion after the object tag element opening the first function; and

inserting a third in-line editing tag reopening the first function immediately after each object tag element within the selected portion after the object tag element opening the first function.

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (currently amended): The software package according to claim ~~7~~31, wherein a first in-line editing tag opens the desired in-line editing function and a second in-line editing tag closes the desired in-line editing function so that the insertion module inserts a first in-line editing tag immediately prior to each object tag encountered within the selected portion and inserts a second in-line editing tag immediately after each object tag encountered within the selected portion.

Claims 9-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (currently amended): The software package according to claim ~~7~~31, wherein, when an object tag element closing a first function is found within the selected portion of the Web-based

document without a corresponding object tag element opening the first function, the insertion module inserts an in-line editing tag closing the first function immediately prior to the in-line editing tag immediately before the selected portion and inserts an in-line editing tag opening the first function immediately after the in-line editing tag immediately before the selected portion.

Claim 12 (currently amended): The software package according to claim 7̶31, wherein, when an object tag element opening a first function is found within the selected portion of the Web-based document without a corresponding object tag element closing the first function, the insertion module inserts an in-line editing tag opening the first function immediately after the in-line editing tag immediately after the selected portion, and inserts an in-line editing tag closing the first function immediately before each object tag element within the selected portion after the object tag element opening the first function and inserts an in-line editing tag reopening the first function immediately after each object tag element within the selected portion after the object tag element opening the first function.

Claim 13 (previously presented): A computer-implemented method for editing Web-based documents, comprising the steps of:

scanning a selected portion of a Web-based document for embedded tags;

inserting into the selected portion of the Web-based document in-line editing tags based on the embedded tags and a desired in-line editing operation, wherein the in-line editing tags each have a custom attribute that identifies the respective in-line editing tag as being inserted based on the desired in-line editing operation to distinguish from the embedded tags;

storing the in-line editing tags and context portions of the Web-based document associated with the in-line editing tags separate from the unedited Web-based document; and

reinserting the in-line editing tags into the unedited Web-based document based on the context portions.

Claim 14 (previously presented): A computer readable medium having computer-executable instructions stored thereon for performing steps of the method recited in claim 13.

Claims 15-16 (canceled)

Claim 17 (previously presented): The method of claim 13, wherein the context portions of the Web-based document include portions of the Web-based document immediately prior to and after where the in-line editing tags were inserted into the Web-based document.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The method of claim 13, wherein the step of storing includes storing the in-line editing tags and context portions of the Web-based document associated with the in-line editing tags in a file including data identifying a view; the method further comprising the step of redefining the in-line editing tags to include the view prior to the step of reinserting the in-line editing tags.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The method of claim 18, wherein the view includes color.

Claim 20 (previously presented): The method of claim 13, wherein the step of storing includes storing the in-line editing tags and context portions of the Web-based document associated with the in-line editing tags in a plurality of files, at least one of the files including data identifying a view; the method further comprising the steps of:

receiving a user selection identifying a file including data identifying a view; and

redefining the in-line editing tags to include the view prior to the step of reinserting the in-line editing tags.

Claim 21 (previously presented): The method according to claim 13, wherein the step of reinserting includes searching the Web-based document for the context portions and inserting the in-line editing tags within corresponding context portions of the Web-based document.

Claim 22 (previously presented): The method of claim 21, wherein the context portions of the Web-based document have changed location prior to the step of reinserting.

Claim 23 (previously presented): The method of claim 21, wherein the context portions include n words before and after each in-line editing tag.

Claim 24 (previously presented): The method according to claim 13, further including scanning the selected portion of the Web-based document for previously added in-line edit tags, wherein if the previously added in-line edit tag corresponds to the desired in-line editing operation then inserting a group in-line editing tag next to the previously added in-line edit tag.

Claim 25 (previously presented): The method according to claim 13, further comprising:

   assigning the in-line editing tags a first custom order attribute;

   repeating the steps of scanning and inserting for a second set of in-line editing tags; and

   assigning the second set of editing tags a second custom order attribute higher than the first custom order attribute.

Claim 26 (previously presented): The method of claim 25 further comprising the step of removing the second set of in-line editing tags from the Web-based document responsive to receiving an undo command.

Claim 27 (currently amended): The method of claim ~~1~~3, wherein receiving the indication of the desired in-line editing function includes receiving a user selection of the desired in-line editing function from an editing toolbar or a pull down menu.

Claim 28 (currently amended): The method of claim ~~1~~3, wherein receiving the indication of the selected portion of the Web-based document to be edited includes receiving a user input highlighting the selected portion.

Claim 29 (currently amended): ~~The~~ A software package ~~according to claim 7, further~~ for editing Web-based documents stored on one or more computer readable media, comprising:

   an interface module for interfacing with browser software;

   a receiving module for receiving from a user an indication of a selected portion of a Web-based document currently displayed by the browser software, and an indication of a desired in-line editing function to be performed on the selected portion;

   an object tag detecting module detecting object tag elements within the selected portion;

an insertion module inserting immediately prior to and after each object tag element within the selected portion of the Web-based document in-line editing tags corresponding to the desired in-line editing function, the insertion module inserting in-line editing tags immediately prior to the selected portion and immediately after the selected portion, wherein the in-line editing tags are distinguishable from the object tag elements irrespective of the in-line editing function to which the first and second in-line editing tags correspond; and

a saving module saving a portion of the Web-based document including the in-line editing tags, wherein the insertion module reinserts the tags into the Web-based document in response to a reassembly request.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The software package according to claim 29, wherein the portion of the Web-based document including the in-line editing tags includes contextual data, the contextual data aiding in identifying where the in-line editing tags were inserted prior to being saved.

Claim 31 (currently amended): The A software package according to claim 7, further for editing Web-based documents stored on one or more computer readable media, comprising:

an interface module for interfacing with browser software;

a receiving module for receiving from a user an indication of a selected portion of a Web-based document currently displayed by the browser software, and an indication of a desired in-line editing function to be performed on the selected portion;

an object tag detecting module detecting object tag elements within the selected portion;

an insertion module inserting immediately prior to and after each object tag element within the selected portion of the Web-based document in-line editing tags corresponding to the desired in-line editing function, the insertion module inserting in-line editing tags immediately prior to the selected portion and immediately after the selected portion, wherein the in-line editing tags are distinguishable from the object tag elements irrespective of the in-line editing function to which the first and second in-line editing tags correspond;

a saving module saving a portion of the Web-based document including the in-line editing tags,; and

a detecting module detecting the portion of the Web-based document where the in-line editing tags were located prior to saving has been moved to a new location within the Web-based document,

wherein the insertion module reinserts the in-line editing tags at the new location within the Web-based document in the same relative position within the portion of the Web-based document where the in-line editing tags were inserted prior to being saved.

Claim 32 (previously presented): The software package according to claim 31, wherein the portion of the Web-based document including the in-line editing tags includes contextual data, the contextual data aiding in identifying where the in-line editing tags were inserted prior to being saved.